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SUBJECT: NEW PERTAMINA APPOINTMENTS

REFS: (A) JAKARTA 10806

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: IN CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR  
4 SEPTEMBER MINING MINISTER SADLI FURNISHED ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION AND COMMENT RE APPOINTMENTS REPORTED REFTEL A.

2. BOTH LR. WIJARSO AND MAJRO GENERAL PIET HARYONO WILL  
RETAIN THEIR PRESENT POSITIONS IN GOI HIERARCHY CONCUR-  
RENTLY WITH THEIR NEW PERTAMINA REPSONSIBILITIES. THIS  
WAS PERSONAL DECISION OF PRESIDENT SUHARTO, ON WHICH HE  
INSISTED DESPITE HEAVY LOAD OF RESPONSIBILITY ALREADY BEING  
BORNE BY BOTH MEN. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. SADLI SAID THAT WIJARSO  
IS CLOSE TO GENERAL IBNU AND WILL WORK SMOOTHLY WITH HIM  
AS WELL AS WITH THE TECHNOCRATS. (COMMENT: REF B  
REPORTED EARLY INDICATION IBNU HIMSELF MIGHT HAVE SOUGHT  
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WIJARSO APPOINTMENT.) GENERAL HARYONO, WHILE NO MILITARY

CRONY OF GENERAL IBNU, AND DESPITE HIS NOT ALTOGETHER SYMPATHETIC IMAGE AS A TOUGH BUDGET ADMINSTRATOR, IS ON "GOOD ENOUGH" TERMS WITH GENERAL IBNU. SADLI EXPECTS HARYONO TO MOVE A COUPLE OF KEY AIDES INTO PERTAMINA TO HELP HIM RATIONALIZE COMAPNY'S FINANCIAL STRUCTURE. THIS WILL INVOLVE STRENGTHENING THE AUTHORITY OF JOHN ABDI, THE INFLUENTIAL AND SOUND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR FINANCE, WHO IN THE PAST WAS SOMEWHAT REMOVED FROM LINE RESPONSIBILITIES. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

4. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. LOCAL DAILIES REPORTING THE 3 SEPTEMBER INSTALLATION OF WIJARSO AND HARYONO ADDED SOME FURTHER ATMOSPHERICS. MINISTER SADLI REPORTEDLY REPLIED TO ACCOUNTS IN "FOREIGN PRESS" BY STATING THAT PERTAMINA PROBLEM HAD NOT REACHED SUCH DIMENSIONS AS TO REQUIRE PUNITIVE MEASURES, AND SAID THE REMEDIES ADOPTED WERE DIRECTED TOWARD ACHIEVING MORE EFFECTIVE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. HE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING PRESIDENT SUHARTO AND GENERAL IBNU HAD AGREED ON A BASIS OF OPERATIONSTHAT WOULD TAILOR PERTAMINA ACTIVITIES AND PRIORITIES TO ITS EXISTING CAPACITY, BASING THEM ON THE PRINCIPLE OF A BALANCED BUDGET. SADLI ALSO REPORTED TO SAY THAT PERTAMINA MUST NOT ONLY BE RUN ON A BUSINESSLIKE BASIS, BUT, AS A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE IN KEY SECTOR OF THE ECONOMY, IN A WAY RESPONSIVE TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

5. LOCAL JOURNAL ALSO REPORTS FORMER PEERTAMINA FINANCE AND ADMINSTRATION DIRECTOR ANONDO WILL JOIN THE STAFF OF EXPERTS TO PERTAMINA DEWAN KOMISARIS.  
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